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REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL ON HIS MISSION OF GOOD OFFICES IN CYPRUS

1. The present report covers developments in my mission of good offices in Cyprus since my last report on 30 May 1994 (S/1994/629) and my letter to the President of the Security Council of 28 June 1994 (S/1994/785).

2. In resolution 939 (1994) adopted on 29 July 1994, the Security Council requested me to "begin consultations with the members of the Council, with the Guarantor Powers, and with the two leaders in Cyprus with a view to undertaking a fundamental and far-reaching reflection on ways of approaching the Cyprus problem in a manner that will yield results." The Council reiterated its call to the parties to demonstrate their commitment by cooperating fully to this end. In this context, the Council also urged the parties to cooperate fully with me and my Special Representative to achieve agreement on the modalities for implementing the confidence-building measures at the earliest possible time. In paragraph 5, the Council requested me to submit a report by the end of October 1994 following the consultations referred to above and on progress made towards the implementation of the confidence-building measures.

3. On 18 August 1994, in pursuance of the Council's requests, I wrote to the members of the Security Council and the Guarantor Powers, seeking their views on matters covered by resolution 939 (1994). I also wrote to the leaders of the two communities in Cyprus, informing them of this and indicating that I had requested Mr. Joe Clark, my Special Representative, to travel to the region in early September for consultations with the parties and the Guarantor Powers.

4. During the following weeks, I received responses from most of the members of the Security Council and all the Guarantor Powers. The responses indicated continuing support for my mission of good offices, but for the most part reaffirmed the positions taken in resolution 939 (1994).

5. In September 1994, Mr. Clark travelled to the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, Greece, Cyprus and Turkey for consultations with the Guarantor Powers and the parties. The Guarantor Powers and the Cypriot leaders explained their latest positions in some detail. In addition, the leader of the Greek Cypriot community wrote me a long letter on 7 September, setting out detailed positions and proposals in a number of areas. During his visits in the region and after his return, Mr. Clark reported to me that matters

were close to an impasse both on the substance of the Cyprus problem and on the confidence-building measures.

6. With a view to leaving no stone unturned before reporting to the Security Council at the end of October, I wrote to both leaders on 10 October 1994, informing them that I had requested my Deputy Special Representative, Mr. Gustave Feissel, to invite them to join him for a number of informal consultations at his residence with a view to exploring in a concrete manner ways in which progress might be made both in respect of the implementation of the confidence-building measures and in the long-contemplated overall settlement of the Cyprus problem. Both leaders accepted this invitation. The first informal meeting of the two leaders at Mr. Feissel's residence took place on 18 October. Further meetings were held on 21, 25 and 27 October.

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7. In view of the fact that these consultations have begun and that my review of the situation thus remains in progress, I do not consider that it would be appropriate at the present time to attempt to submit a definitive report on efforts to make progress on the substance of the Cyprus question and on the implementation of the confidence-building measures. The Council's request for a fundamental and far-reaching reflection requires discussion and analysis of a number of developments that have occurred in recent months. My representatives will accordingly continue their consultations with the parties and others. I shall keep the Council informed as necessary and intend to submit a definitive report in the light of the continuing consultations.